Feb. 8, 1996- My Birthday! I'm 42.

Dear Harold:
Well, the last 24 hours have had some of the highest highs and the lowest lows. Last night about 6:30 we got a call that my brother Larry was in the emergency room. He had fallen and could not use his legs. They diagnosed it as a quadriceps strain and sent him home. In a wheelchair. I had to go over there and help get him into the wheelchair. I think I strained a rib muscle lifting him into it! Almost 24 hours later, he still can't walk. Needless to say, this makes me very nervous.

He and Dad are scheduled to drive to Daytona for the races tomorrow. Looks doubtful. I was going to fly down there next Wednesday. Hope it all works out. As you know better than anyone, your health is all you really have.
So I am in a crappy mood and scared to death.

Thanks for the article about Geo. Seldes. and the other enclosures.

Now the good news. I am no longer a virgin, I am a published author! The local paper printed my article . I was so happy I sent a copy to Gerry G. Dennis M. Wrone and Dal McGuirk.So maybe that interview I did with you is wothwhile afterall.

They did very little editing, about 10jjjjjj words. I had edited it a little before I sent it in. As you can tell, I tried to tone it down and still be accurate. Wonder if the FBI has started a file on me yet?

I ran into an old buddy the other day who is in the FBI. He was sitting with other agents. When I asked him how the FBI was, one of the other agents said "Gee, are you in the FBI, Steve." And they all laughed! Three of them looked like high school teachers. You can't tell a cop from looking at them anymore. Used to be, most were white men, often tall. Now all police agencies have quite a variation in the looks of its officers. Went to a Rolling Stones concert a few years ago, saw some female cops with frizzy blonde wigs driving to the concert in a white Ford LTD. Unmarked police car. I bet some poor guy smoking a joint was surprised to be arrested by some ditzy blonde!

Hope you and Lil are doing OK. Sorry the thermostat did not wake up the heater, but it is still better to replace them before they go bad. If they stick closed, they overheat.

I did find a 600 watt heater that plugs into the cigaret lighter. $35. Do you want me to get it for you?

Well, I can't concentrate. I have a $50 bet with Larry on Clinton's reelection. Told him faking a crippling injury was a cheap way to back out of the bet. I bet on Clinton!

Is it a hatchet job if the article is fair? maybe. Steve Forbes is a smart guy, but his flat tax would cost the Govt. about $186 billion a year. There is no doubt the Reaganites theory is if they starve the US for cash, welfare cuts will follow. Like now, most of the annual deficit is to pay for the interest on Reagan's debt.

Bill - Be sure McKnight gets a copy!